

What Is the Hatch Act? - Quiz

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Q1. Who authored the Hatch Act?

- A. Senator Carl Hatch
- B. President Franklin D. Roosevelt
- C. Senator Gerald Ford
- D. President Barack Obama

Q2. What does the Hatch Act primarily prohibit?

- A. Federal employees from engaging in political activities
- B. State employees from voting
- C. Private citizens from running for office
- D. The president from vetoing legislation

Q3. Which U.S. president signed the Hatch Act into law?

- A. Franklin D. Roosevelt
- B. Gerald Ford
- C. George H. W. Bush
- D. Barack Obama

Q4. Which of the following is exempt from the Hatch Act?

- A. The president and vice president
- B. All federal employees
- C. State governors
- D. Local government employees

Q5. What was added to the Hatch Act in 1940?

- A. Prohibitions for state and local employees paid with federal funds
- B. Allowance for federal employees to run for office
- C. Exemption for all political activities
- D. A ban on all federal elections

Q6. Which president vetoed a proposed amendment to the Hatch Act in 1976?

- A. Gerald Ford
- B. Franklin D. Roosevelt
- C. George H. W. Bush
- D. Barack Obama

Q7. What did the Hatch Act Reform Amendment of 1993 allow?

- A. Federal employees to manage political campaigns under certain conditions
- B. Unlimited political donations
- C. Federal employees to run for office
- D. The use of public funds for campaigns

Q8. Which amendment extended Hatch Act prohibitions to the District of Columbia?

- A. The Hatch Act Modernization Act of 2012
- B. The 1940 amendment
- C. The 1993 amendment
- D. The 1976 amendment

Q9. What is a common violation of the Hatch Act?

- A. Using government funds for campaign activities
- B. Voting in elections
- C. Running for local office
- D. Attending political rallies

Q10. Why has the Hatch Act been controversial in recent years?

- A. Lack of enforcement mechanisms
- B. It bans all political speech
- C. It applies only to Democrats
- D. It prevents elections from taking place

Answer Key

- 1. Q1: A
- 2. Q2: A
- 3. Q3: A
- 4. Q4: A
- 5. Q5: A
- 6. Q6: A
- 7. Q7: A
- 8. Q8: A
- 9. Q9: A
- 10. Q10: A